

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of All Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

determining a beginning time stamp for an edit segment in a digital recording, wherein the beginning time stamp is determined as a point in time in which an editing command starts;

determining an ending time stamp for the edit segment in the digital recording, wherein the ending time stamp is determined as a point in time after the beginning time stamp when the user sends an indication to stop editing, wherein the indication to stop editing includes one of: not executing a skip ahead command for a period of time after executing a previous skip ahead command, not executing a rewind command for a period of time after executing a previous rewind command, and not executing a skip back command for a period of time after executing a previous skip back command; and

receiving an indication from a user whether to modify the edit segment for subsequent viewing of the digital recording based on the beginning and ending time stamps.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
modifying the edit segment in the digital recording according to the received indication from the user.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein modifying the edit segment includes skipping over the edit segment in a subsequent viewing of the digital recording.
4. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein modifying the edit segment includes removing the edit segment from the digital recording.
5. (Cancelled).
6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the editing command is a fast forward command.
7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the editing command is a skip ahead command.
8. (Cancelled).

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the indication to stop editing further includes executing a play command.
10. (Cancelled).
11. (Cancelled).
12. (Cancelled).
13. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

an editing engine that determines a beginning time stamp for an edit segment in a digital recording and determines an ending time stamp for the edit segment in the digital recording and wherein the editing engine receives an indication from a user whether to modify the edit segment for subsequent viewing of the digital recording based on the beginning and ending time stamps, wherein the beginning time stamp is determined as a point in time in which an editing command starts, ~~and~~ wherein the ending time stamp is determined as a point in time after the beginning time stamp when the user sends an indication to stop editing, wherein the indication to stop editing includes one of: not executing a skip ahead command for a period of time after executing a previous skip ahead command, not executing a rewind command for a period of time after executing a previous rewind command, and not

executing a skip back command for a period of time after executing a previous skip back command.

14. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein the editing engine modifies the edit segment in the digital recording according to the received indication from the user.
15. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein the editing engine modifies the edit segment by skipping over the edit segment in a subsequent viewing of the digital recording.
16. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein the editing engine modifies the edit segment by removing the edit segment from the digital recording.
17. (Cancelled).
18. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 13, wherein the editing command is a fast forward command.
19. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 13, wherein the editing command is a skip ahead command.

20. (Cancelled).

21. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the indication to stop editing further includes executing a play command.

22. (Cancelled).

23. (Cancelled).

24. (Cancelled).

25. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium storing a computer program which, when executed by a processing system, cause the processing system to perform a method, the method comprising:

determining a beginning time stamp for an edit segment in a digital recording, wherein the beginning time stamp is determined as a point in time in which an editing command starts;

determining an ending time stamp for the edit segment in the digital recording, wherein the ending time stamp is determined as a point in time after the beginning time stamp when the user sends an indication to stop editing, wherein the indication to stop editing includes one of: not executing a skip ahead command for a period of time after executing a previous skip ahead command, not executing a rewind command for a period of time after executing a previous rewind command, and not executing a skip back command for a period of time after executing a previous skip back command; and

receiving an indication from a user whether to modify the edit segment for subsequent viewing of the digital recording based on the beginning and ending time stamps.

26. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 25, further comprising:
modifying the edit segment in the digital recording according to the received indication from the user.

27. (Cancelled).

28. (Cancelled).

29. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the ~~indication~~ indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the beginning time stamp.
30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the ~~indication~~ indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the ending time stamp.
31. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the ~~indication~~ indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the beginning time stamp.
32. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the ~~indication~~ indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the ending time stamp.
33. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 26, wherein modifying the edit segment includes skipping over the edit segment in a subsequent viewing of the digital recording.
34. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein modifying the edit segment includes removing the edit segment from the digital recording.

35. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the editing command is a fast forward command.

36. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the editing command is a skip ahead command.

37. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the indication to stop editing further includes executing a play command.

38. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein receiving the indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the beginning time stamp.

39. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein receiving the indication from the user includes an on-the-fly indication of whether to keep or delete the ending time stamp.